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Transmitted herewith is an **Amendment and Response under 37 C.F.R. 1.111** in the above-captioned application.

_____ Small Entity Status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a previously filed statement.

_____ A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

☒ A Request for Extension of Time.

☒ An Information Disclosure Statement, PTO Form 1449, and references cited.

☒ Two Japanese priority patent applications (i.e., Japanese Patent Application Nos. 2002-247338, filed August 27, 2002; and 2003-25418, filed February 3, 2003).

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